

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3 and 4 are amended. Claims 7 - 11, 19 and 20 are canceled. Upon entry of the amendment, claims 1 - 6 and 12 - 18 are presented for reconsideration by the Examiner.

In the Office Action dated April 8, 2003, the Examiner stated that claims 3, 4, 11, 13, 14, 16 and 17 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claim 1 is amended to include the pertinent recitations of claim 3, the base claim from which claim 3 depended. Claim 1 is now allowable in accordance with the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter.

Claims 2 - 6 and 12 - 18 pend directly or indirectly from claim 1 and are allowable for all the reasons stated in support of claim 1.

For all the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of claims 1 - 6 and 12 - 18.

Respectfully submitted,

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